



## **CITY OF HAYWARD**

### **AGENDA REPORT**

AGENDA DATE 05/07/02

AGENDA ITEM 7

WORK SESSION ITEM           

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Director of Community and Economic Development

**SUBJECT:** Possible Modifications to the City of Hayward Sphere of Influence Resulting from Proposed Castro Valley Incorporation

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council review this report and identify any additional concerns for transmittal to the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The City has received notification from the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of an application by the Alameda County Community Development Agency to modify the Sphere of Influence (SOI) for the City of Hayward in conjunction with the proposed incorporation of Castro Valley. More specifically, the application includes a request to detach approximately 1.54 square miles from the City of Hayward's SOI in the Five Canyons area. This area is proposed for inclusion in the new City of Castro Valley (see Exhibit A). Under state law, no portion of a city may be within another city's adopted SOI.

On May 9, 2002, LAFCO will be considering the proposal to create a new City of Castro Valley. If the proposal is approved, it is anticipated that the question of incorporation will be placed before the community at the November 2002 ballot. As part of this consideration, LAFCO must also determine the boundaries to be proposed for the new city. In addition, LAFCO must establish an SOI for the new city in the event voters approve formation of the City of Castro Valley.

Various boundary alternatives for a City of Castro Valley have been reviewed by community residents during the past year (see Exhibit A). Each of the proposed alternatives would establish boundaries for the new city that are coterminous with Hayward from the I-580/Route 238 interchange south to San Lorenzo Creek and eastward to Center Street. One of these alternatives would also include the Five Canyons area (Module B), which is within Hayward's existing SOI. According to the proposal to be presented to LAFCO, the SOI for the City of Castro Valley would be coterminous with its city limits (see Exhibit B).

#### **DISCUSSION:**

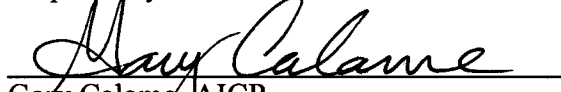
Hayward's Sphere of Influence was originally adopted by LAFCO in 1978. In the Fairview area, the primary basis for the SOI was the boundary between the Hayward Unified School District and the Castro Valley Unified School District. However, since that time the school district boundary has been changed to reflect the mutual agreement to include all of the Walpert Ridge area within

the HUSD and all of the Five Canyons area within the CVUSD. Thus, the existing SOI for the City of Hayward in the Five Canyons area is not necessarily a reflection of existing communities of interest, which is one of the criteria in establishment of an SOI.


As Council is aware, the City of Hayward currently provides fire protection services to the Five Canyons area through a contract with the Fairview Fire Protection District. Based on information provided by LAFCO, it is our understanding the Fairview Fire Protection District will continue to function as an independent district. As a result, any changes or modifications to current contract arrangements will be determined by the City of Hayward and the District Board. It would nonetheless be appropriate to have LAFCO verify that this is an accurate understanding.

City staff does have concerns about the proposed boundary of the City of Castro Valley and its SOI within the Foothill Boulevard corridor area of north Hayward. The existing SOI for the City of Hayward in this area is coterminous with the city limits (see Exhibit C). However, in recent years, the city has expressed its interest in pursuing the eventual annexation of the entire Foothill Boulevard corridor north to Mattox Road/Castro Valley Boulevard, including those parcels along the east side of Oak Street north of Grove Way. Annexation of these parcels will help the city to achieve its goals of revitalizing this corridor as an important gateway to the City of Hayward. Consequently, staff is recommending that the parcels along the east side of Oak Street north of Grove Way, as well as the property on the south side of Grove Way, be excluded from the proposed City of Castro Valley, and that this area be included within the City of Hayward Sphere of Influence (see Exhibit C).

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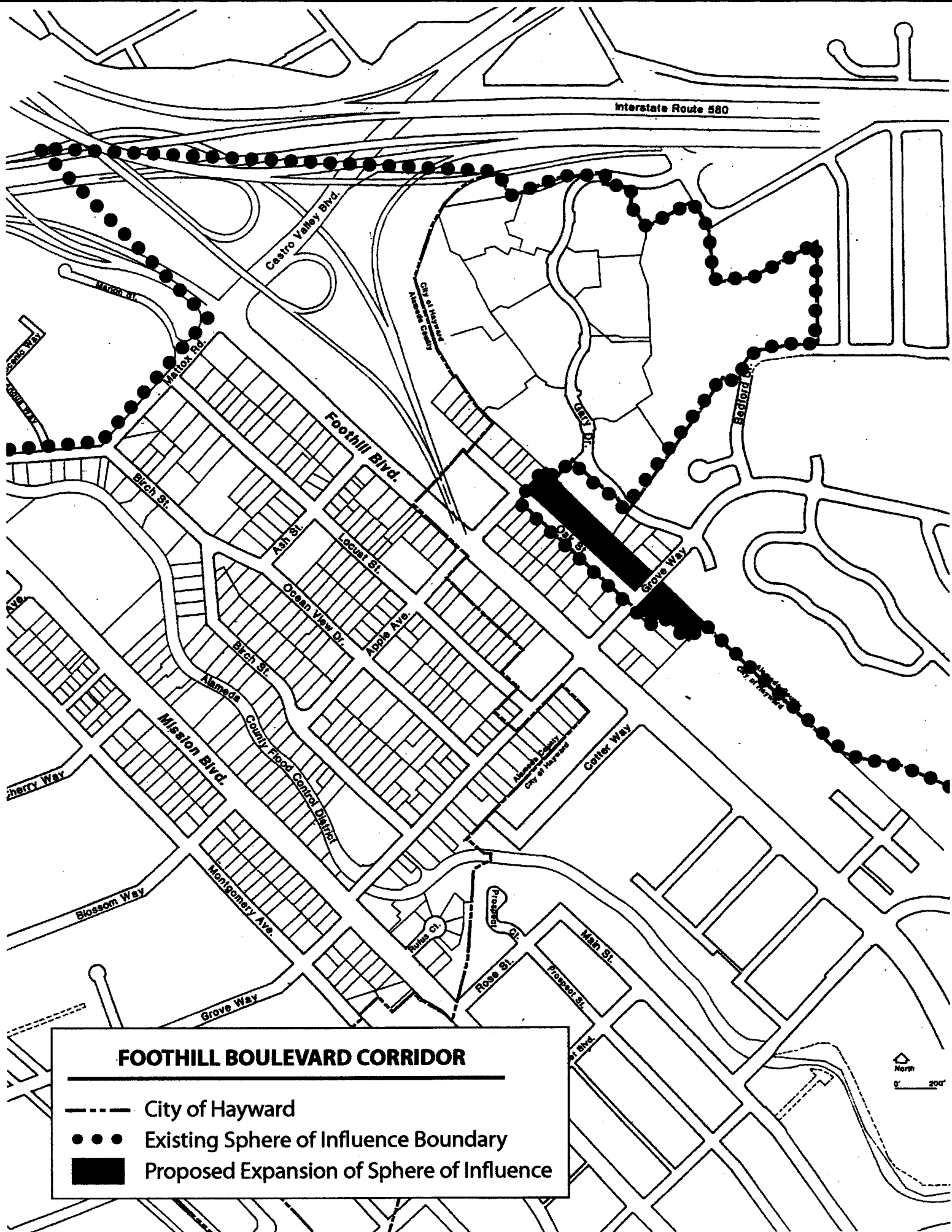
  
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Attachments:

- Exhibit A. Map of Proposed Boundaries for Castro Valley Incorporation and Existing Spheres of Influence for the cities of Hayward and San Leandro
- Exhibit B. Map of Proposed Castro Valley Incorporation and Proposed Spheres of Influence for the cities of Hayward and San Leandro
- Exhibit C. Map of Staff-Recommended Sphere of Influence for the City of Hayward along the Foothill Boulevard Corridor in north Hayward



### FOOTHILL BOULEVARD CORRIDOR

- City of Hayward
- ..... Existing Sphere of Influence Boundary
- █ Proposed Expansion of Sphere of Influence